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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 298-210

First Inventor Salice

Title HINGE

Express Mail Label No. EV333228726US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 15]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure

4. ☐ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 5]

5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 6]

- a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)  
Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- b. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or  
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8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
  - ii. ☐ paper
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## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement of Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☒ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122  
(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35  
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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: HINGE

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 10 page(s) of specification
- ☒ 1 page(s) of Abstract
- ☒ 4 page(s) of claims
- ☒ 5 sheets of drawings ☒ formal ☐ informal (**FIGS 1-11**)
- ☒ 9 page(s) of Preliminary Amendment and marked-up copy
- ☒ 6 page(s) of Declaration/Power of Attorney
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and the cited art.
- ☒ An Assignment to Arturo Salice S.p.A

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- ☐ This application claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No(s).:

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from which priority under Title 35 United States Code, § 119 is claimed

☒ are enclosed.

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Claims	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	Add'l. Fee	None	= \$
TOTAL				\$ 770.00

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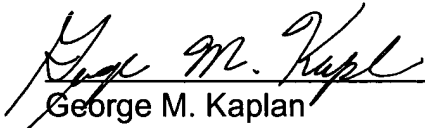
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